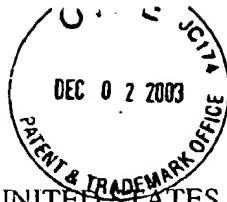


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Sir:

This is a full and complete response to the Final Office Action dated August 5, 2003, setting a three month shortened statutory time period for a reply. A one month extension of time is filed herewith.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in the application.

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